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SUBJ: U THANT'S FUNERAL

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1. FUNERAL PROCESSION OF SEVERAL THOUSAND HEADED BY STUDENTS AND SOME MONKS ESCORTED U THANT'S REMAINS TO RANGOON UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION HALL LATE THIS AFTERNOON, WITHOUT OPPOSITION. BODY REMAINS AT CONVOCATION HALL, REPORTEDLY LYING IN HASTILY-IMPROVISED STATE. STUDENT DEMANDS BEFORE PROCESSION LEFT KYAIKKASAN GROUND WERE THAT U THANT BE BURIED IN MARTYRS' MAUSOLEUM OR OTHER SUITABLE SITE. BULK OF CROWD DISPERSED BETWEEN 1700 AND 1830 BUT AS OF 2130 LOCAL TIME CONSIDERABLY LARGER NUMBERS OF PERSONS THAN USUAL WERE STILL PRESENT AT UNIVERSITY CAMPUS. NO SECURITY FORCES VISIBLE IN AREA.

2. THERE ARE REPORTS THAT COUNCIL OF MINISTERS WAS MEETING IN EARLY EVENING IN ATTEMPT TO DECIDE WHAT TO DO NEXT. AS OF 2000 UNDP LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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